



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 2730
Occupational Safety and Health Independent Review of
OSHA Citations Act of 2004**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Education and the Workforce
on May 5, 2004*

H.R. 2730 would amend the Occupational Safety and Health Act to clarify that decisions made by the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission (OSHRC) with respect to questions of law should be given deference by appellate courts. OSHRC is an independent federal agency created to adjudicate contests of citations or penalties resulting from inspections of work places by the Occupational Safety and Health Agency. OSHRC functions as an administrative court whose decisions can be appealed to the judicial court system.

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2730 would not have any significant impact on the federal budget.

H.R. 2730 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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